

それでも町は

Soredemo Machi ha Mawatteiru

廻っている



通称“それ町”

石黒正敏
Masakazu
Ishiguro



YOUNG KING COMICS



and yet
the town
moves
soredemo
machi no
mawatte iru

presented by
masakazu ishiguro

HOTORI'S CLASSMATES - GIRLS



Manabe Miku



Nakaoka Koki



Kido Shiori



Asakura Rikako



Misawa China



Haribara Harue



Komori Tomoko



Ashiya Terumi



Mori Tomoka



Higuchi Maho



Shirasaki Risa



Arashiyama Hotori



Yamakawa Rieka



Houshou Maki



Tatsuno Toshiko



Ebisu Mai



Wajima Shouko



Natoba Jun



Tahara Koume



Ootsuka Kyaro

YOUNG KING COMICS

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それでも町は 廻っている

AND YET, THE TOWN
MOVES

石黒
ISHIGURO
MASAKAZU
正数



OYA HIGH SCHOOL FESTIVAL VOLUME 10 PROGRAM

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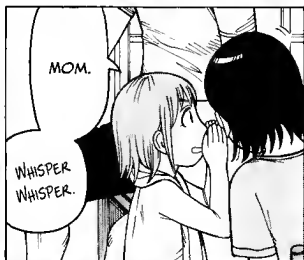
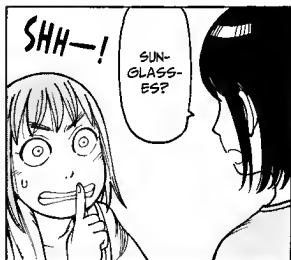


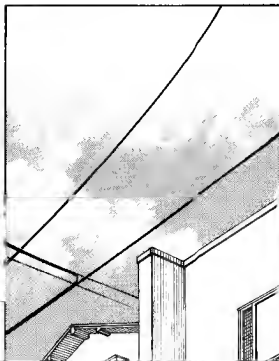


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BOOK: OBSERVATION DIARY,
ARASHIYAMA YUKIKO

SIGN: ODA WARD, DISTRICT 1

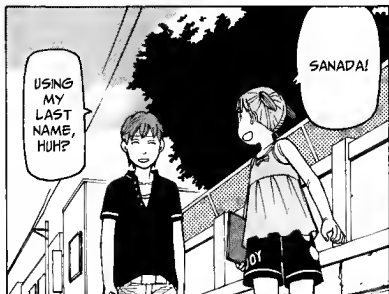




I LOST
SIGHT
OF HER...



BAG: SOUMEN



USING
MY
LAST
NAME,
HUH?

SANADA!



YUKIKO-
CHAN.



I'M
STALK-
ING.

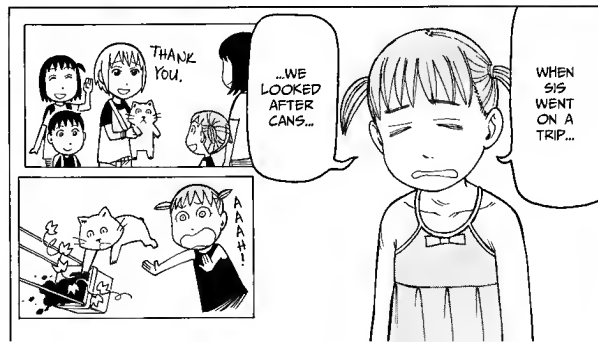
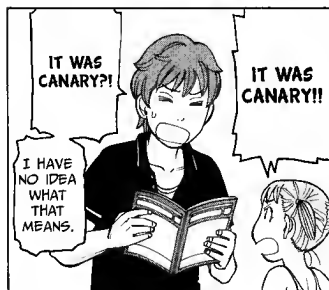
SHH-!



YOU
SHOULD
STAY
IN THE
SHADE,
OR YOU'LL
GET HEAT
STROKE.

WHAT
ARE
YOU UP
TO?

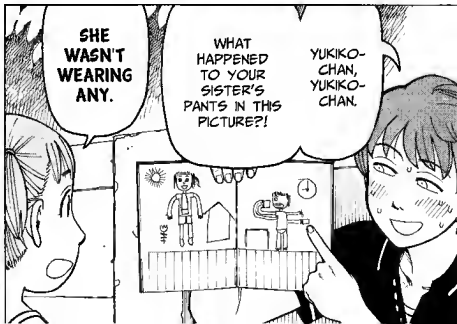
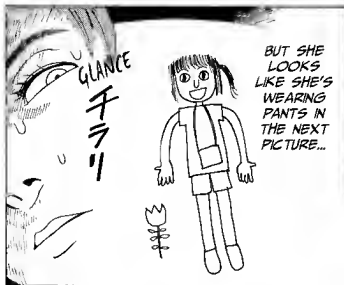
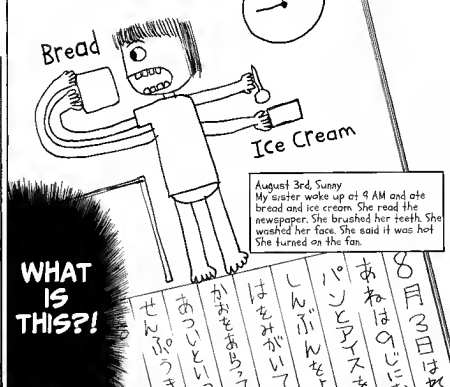
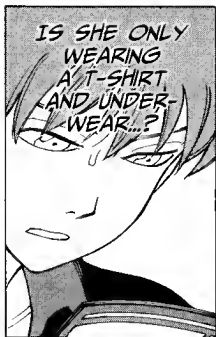






BOOK: JAPONAISERIE HANDBOOK



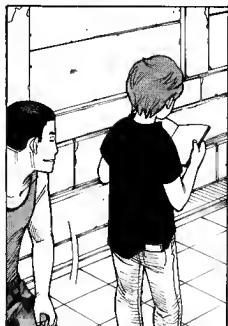


"HAITENAI": WASN'T WEARING ANY.



BAG: GREEN MART



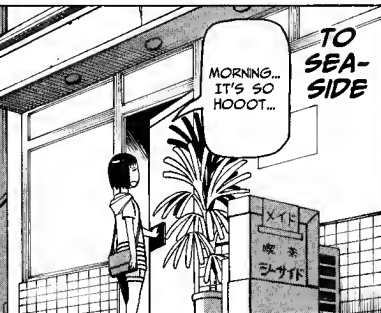


**REQUIRE-
MENT:
LOVE FOR
ARASHI-
YAMA
HOTORI**



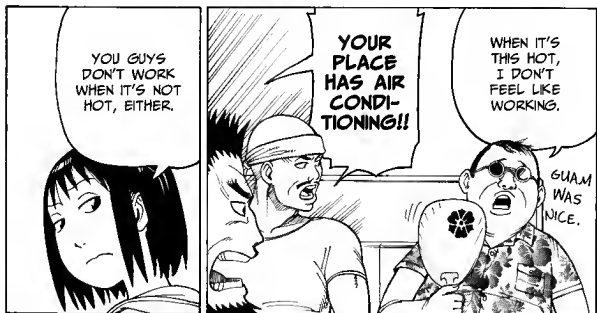
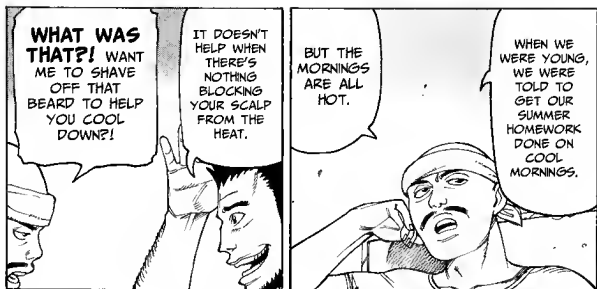


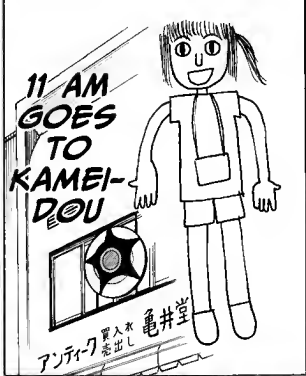
10:40
AM,
SHE
HEADS
OUT



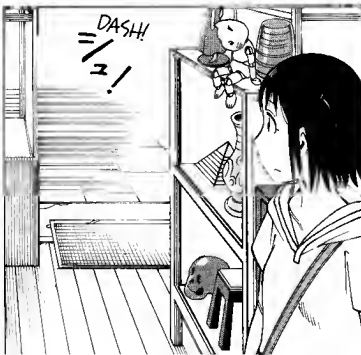
SIGN: MAID CAFE SEASIDE

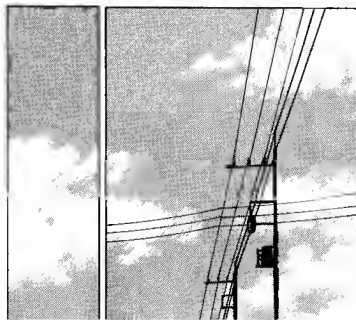


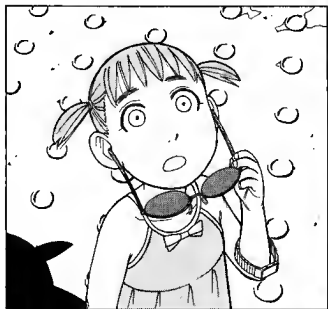




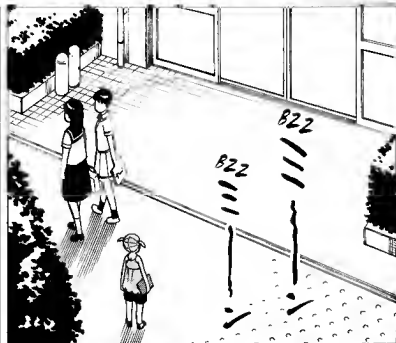
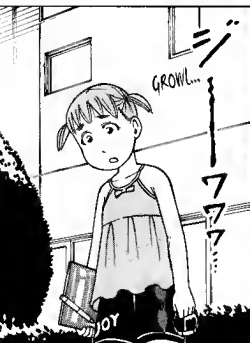
BUILDING: KAMEI/DOU ANTIQUES (WE BUY AND SELL)







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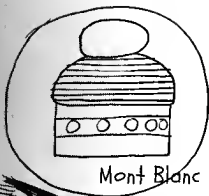


Ginger Ale



IT
TURNED
INTO A
DIARY
ABOUT
YOUR-
SELF!!

11:50-AM-
ATE A
MONT
BLANC
WITH
SHIZUKA-
NEECHAN.
IT WAS
GOOD.



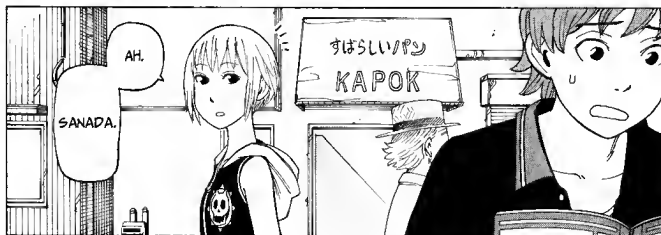
Mont Blanc



Shizuka-neechan

11:50 AM
Ate a Mont Blanc
with Shizuka-neechan.
It was good.

しず
もん
した
おい



SANADA.

AH.

すぱらいいん
KAPOK

SIGN: WONDERFUL BREAD KAPOK



TATSUNO'S
WAITING
FOR YOU AT
SEASIDE.

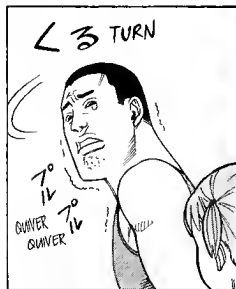
SHOULDN'T
YOU GO?



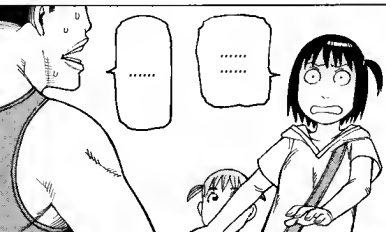
THE CANS
GIRL.

WHO
IS
SHE?

OH...
HELLO.







HE SAID
I WAS
CUTE AND
ASKED IF
I WANTED
TO PLAY.



A TRUE
GENTLEMAN
WOULD
NEVER HURT
A GIRL.

SO I
CAN'T
SAY
ANY-
THING!!

BUT IF I
SAY THAT,
ARASHI-
YAMA WILL
BE HURT.

YOU'VE
GOT IT
WRONG.
I MEANT
THAT
SHE WAS
CUTER
THAN
ARASHI-
YAMA...

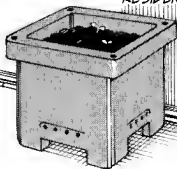


WHAT ASAI WANTS TO BECOME.

SOON BEWARE OF SEXUAL PREDATORS! USE LOUD SCREAMS
AND PERSONAL ALARMS TO DEFEAT EVIL!

...I
WONDER
IF THERE
ARE
CANS
INSIDE.

WHENEVER
I SEE THE
MORNING
GLORY POT
IN FRONT
OF THE
ARASHIYAMA
RESIDENCE...



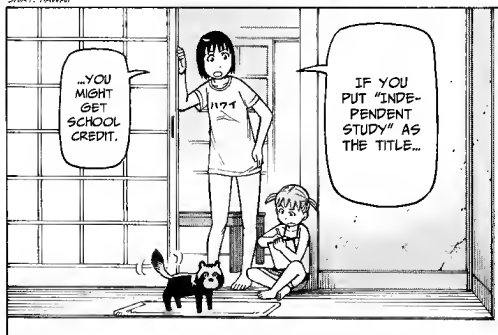
EVER
SINCE
THAT
DAY...



BOOK: DIARY 2



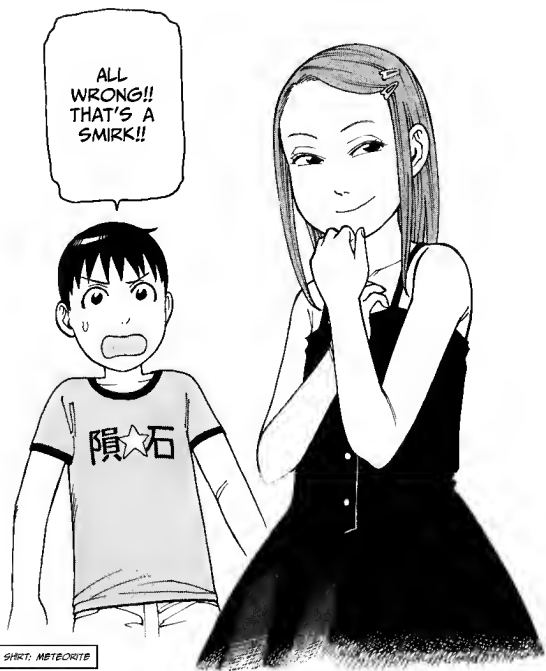
SHIRT: HAWAII



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TITLE: SMILE



CHAPTER 75



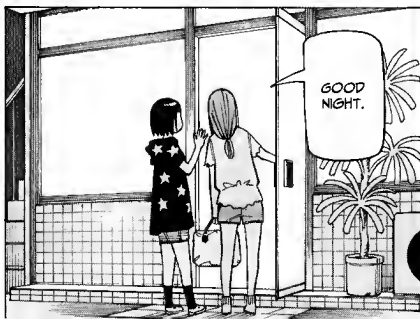
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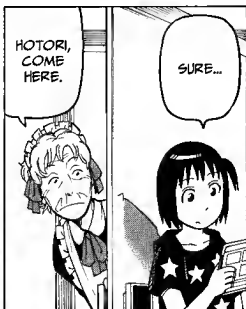
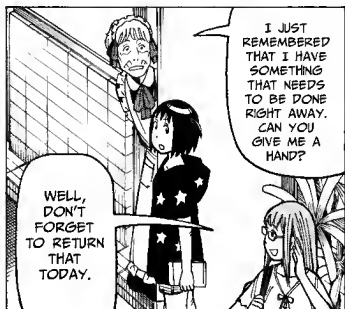
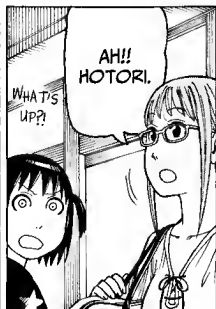
FUTABA DEAD END





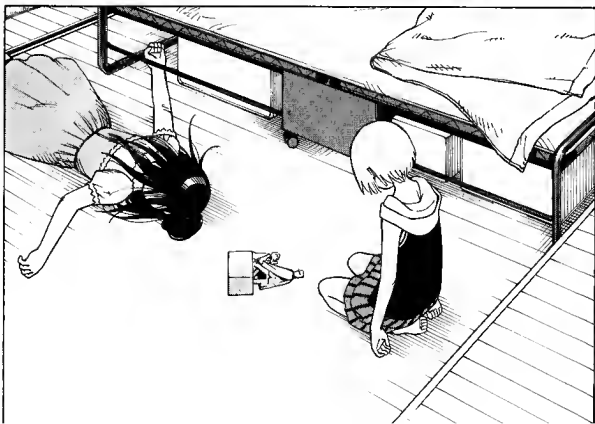
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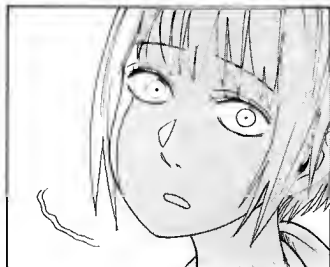
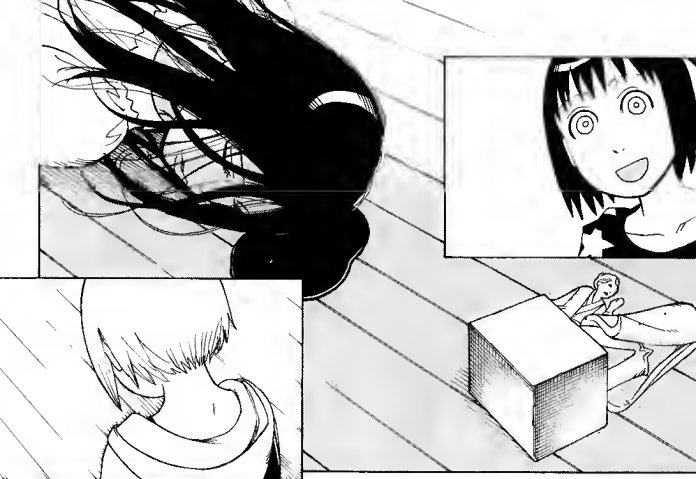


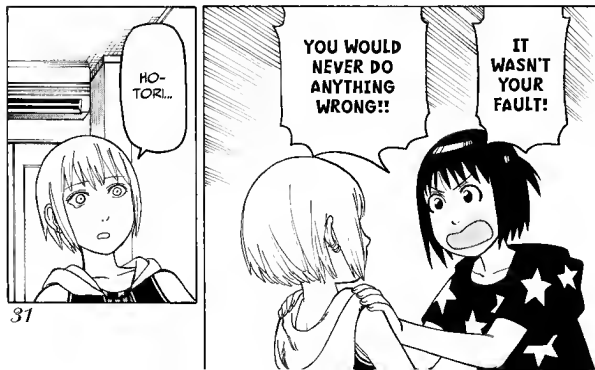
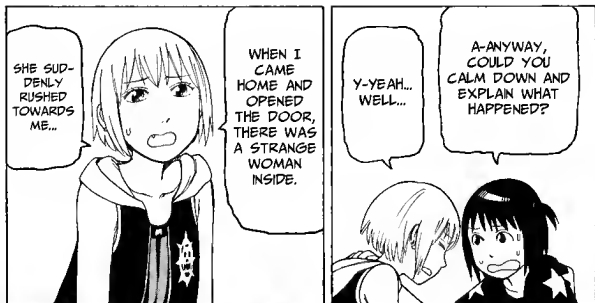


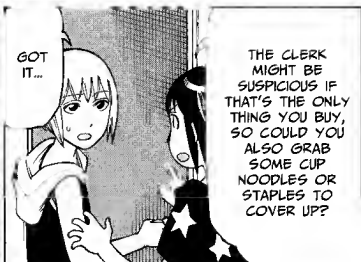


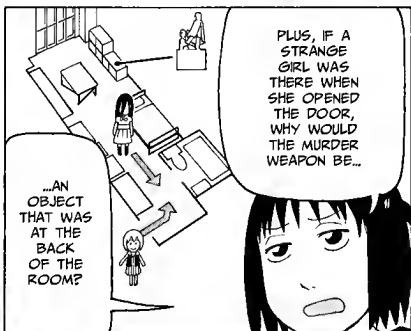
NAMEPLATE: KON DENJUKU













BAG: GREEN MART



WHAT
ARE
YOU
DOING
?!



READY...
AND...

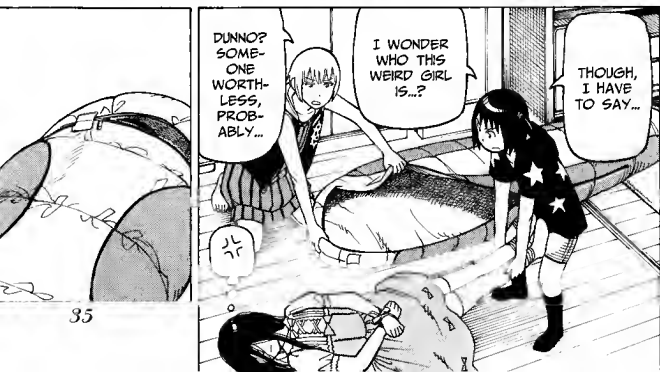
I
BOUGHT
...

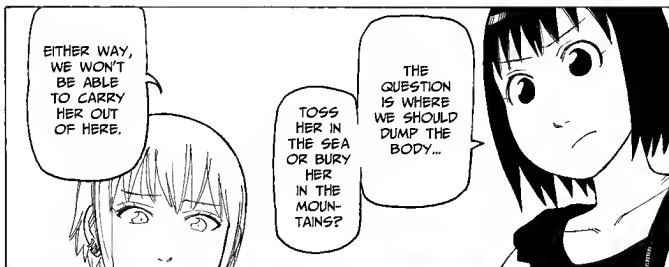
W
H
O
A
!!

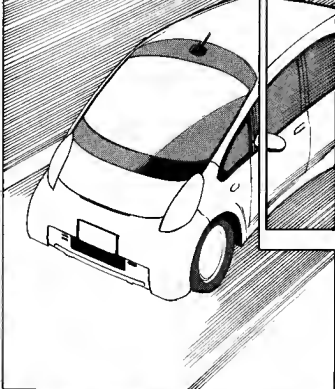


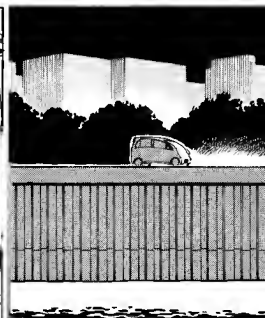
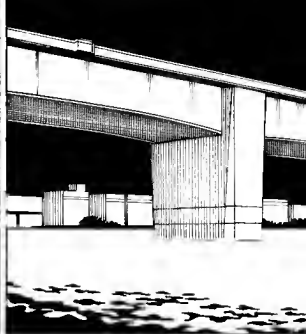
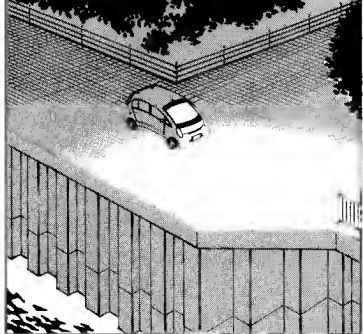
DON'T
BOTHR!
SHE'S
DEAD AS A
DOORNAIL!
ANYWAY,
I BOUGHT
THE VINYL
ROPE!

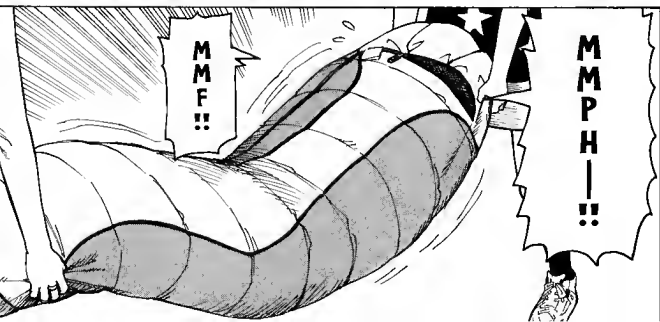
IT WOULD BE
INCONVENIENT
IF SHE CAME
TO, SO I
THOUGHT I'D
FINISH HER
OFF...













OH, SO
YOU
KNEW
WHAT
WAS
GOING
ON.



HA HA
HA HA
HA!

TA-TSUN
GAVE IN
BEFORE
YOU DID!



FINALLY...



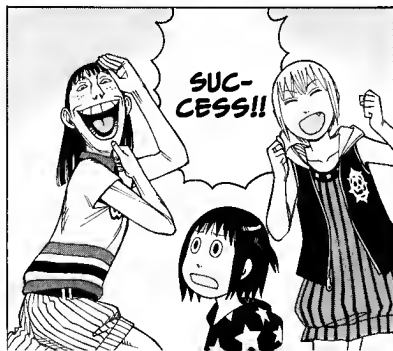
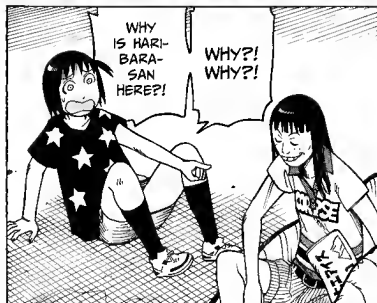
I PRETENDED
TO BE FOOLED
SO I COULD
SEE HOW LONG
YOU WOULD HELP
ME DISPOSE
OF TA-TSUN'S
BODY—



...TO
GET
YOU
BACK!

I ACTED
LIKE I WAS
GOING TO
THROW
HER IN THE
OCEAN...







YEP! WHILE
HOTORI'S
VISITING
RELATIVES,
WE SHOULD
COME UP
WITH A
PLAN...

A
PRANK
?!

HOTORI'S MOTHER'S FAMILY.



THAT'S
A GOOD
IDEA.



THIS WILL
BE PAYBACK
FOR MAKING
US WORRY
LAST
SPRING
WHEN SHE
ALMOST
DIED!

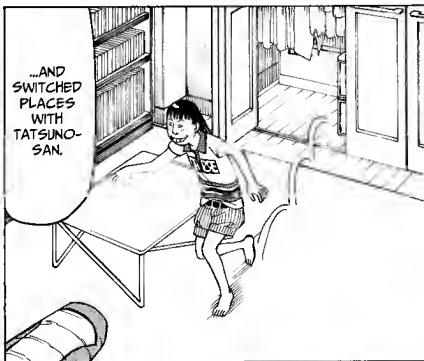


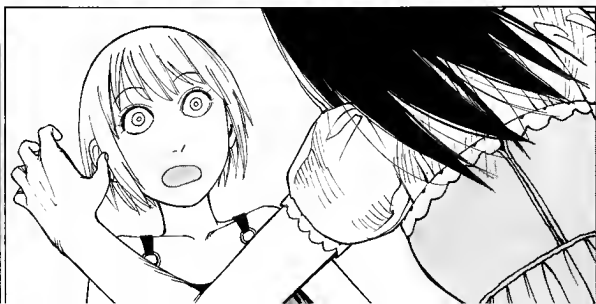
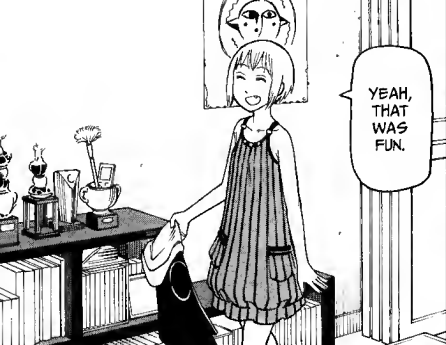
SO WE
ADD A
TWIST...

SOUNDS
FUN, BUT
SHE'LL BE
ABLE TO
FIGURE
THAT OUT.

WE COULD
HAVE A
DEAD BODY
IN KON-
SENPAI'S
ROOM...

BOOK: GUIDE TO
WONDERFUL AFRICA







ANOTHER
PRANK!

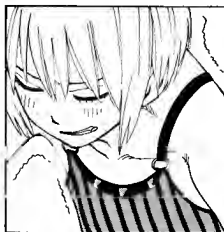
A
SECOND
TWIST!



AAAAHA! I
GOT YOU
GOOD!

AHA-
HA!

I WAS
SECRETLY
PLANNING
TO DO
THIS.



A
TOTAL
SUC-
CESS!



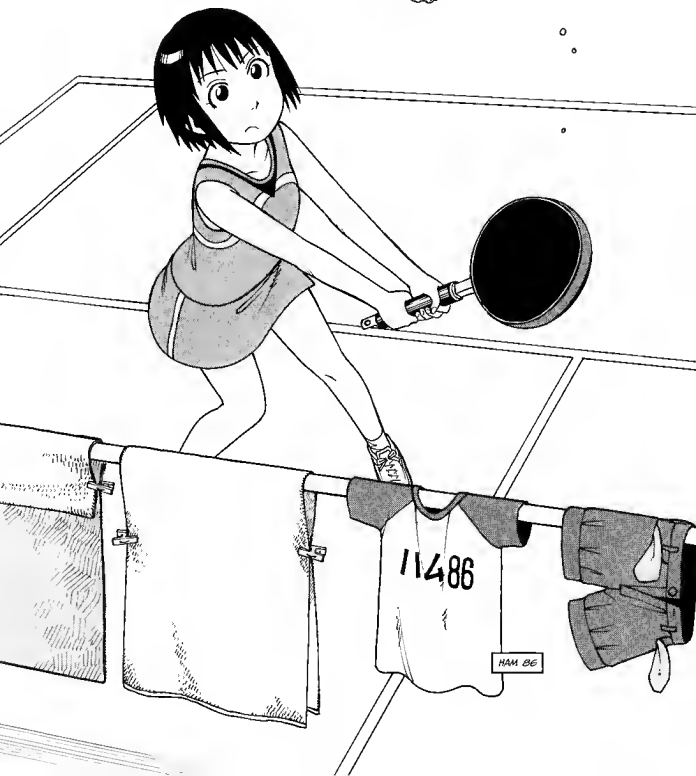
YOU
SOUNDED
PRETTY CUTE
WHEN YOU
SCREAMED.

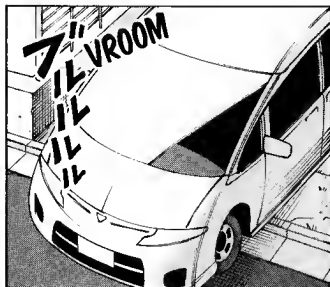


I HAVE
TO KILL
YOU...

NOW...

CHAPTER 76
ARASHIYAMA FAMILY
HOUSEWORK





WELL, WE'LL
BE BACK LATE
TOMORROW
NIGHT, SO BE
RESPONSIBLE.



THEY
REALLY
DON'T
TRUST
ME!

"DON'T DO
ANYTHING
UNNECESSARY."

"BE
CAREFUL
WHEN
USING
THE
STOVE."

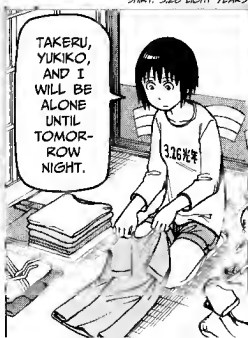
"...WHEN
CUTTING
ONIONS,
MAKE SURE
YOU DON'T
CUT YOUR
FINGER
OFF."



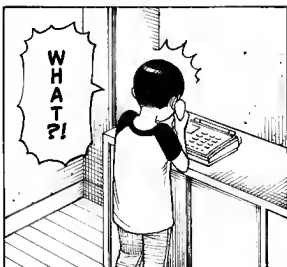
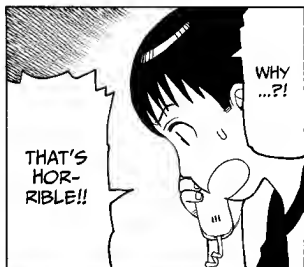
SHIRT: HAWAII



SHIRT: 3.26 LIGHT YEARS



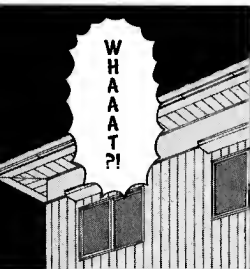


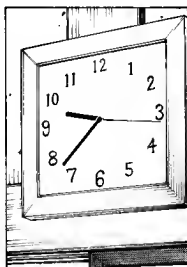
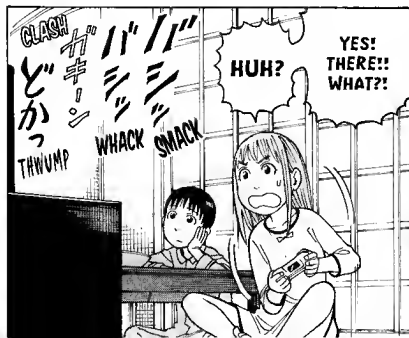
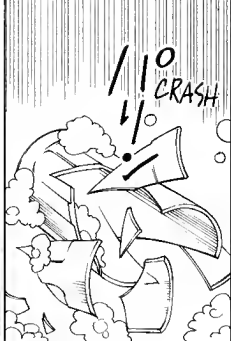
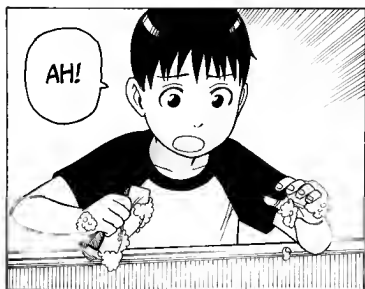


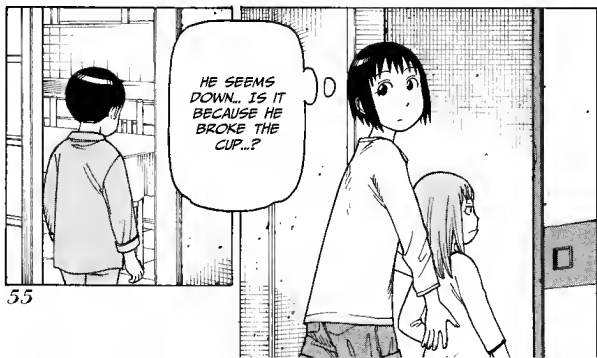


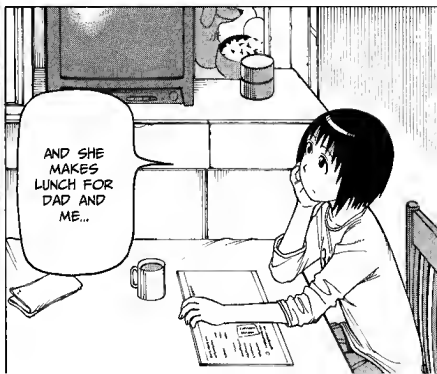
KOYA IS A TYPE OF DRIED TOFU, USUALLY SOAKED TO REHYDRATE BEFORE EATING.

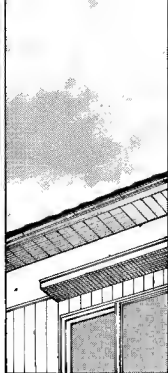




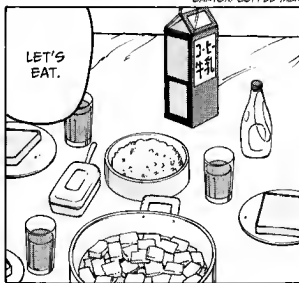
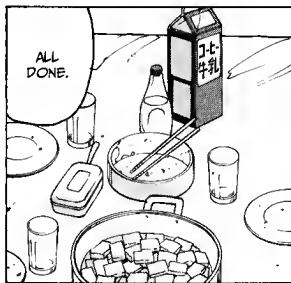






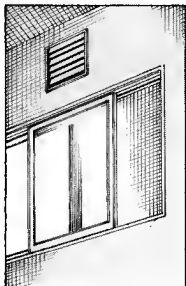
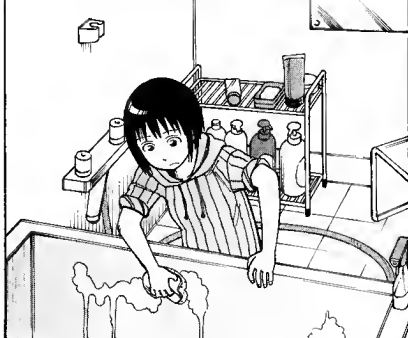


CARTON: COFFEE MILK



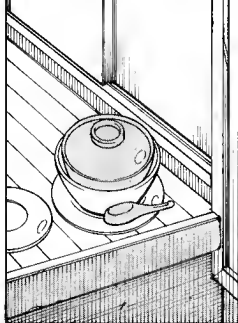






BOTTLE: BATH BANISH







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SIGN: CLASS 5-3

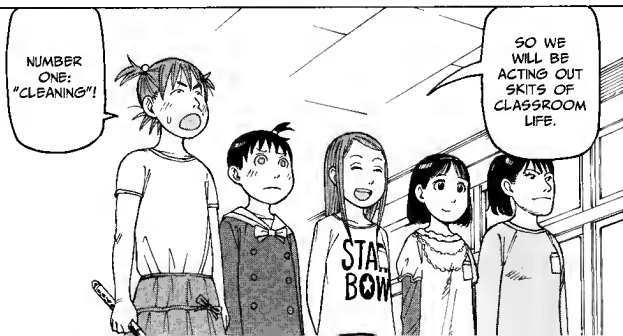
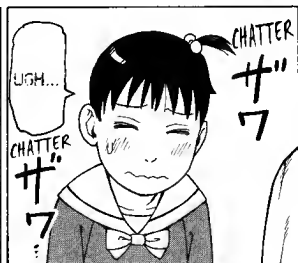
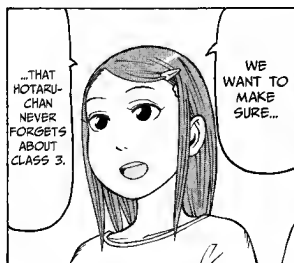
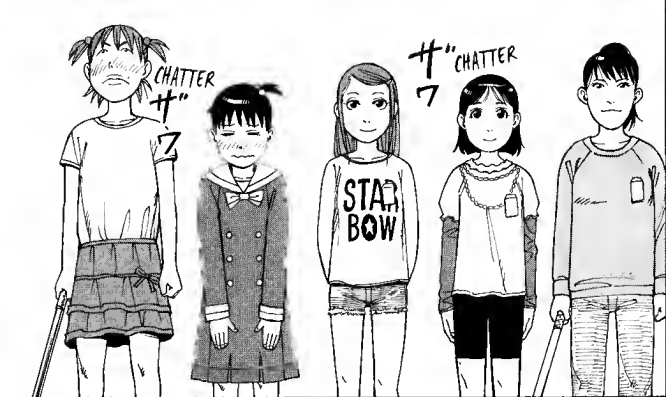
BUILDING: NINE GRADE SCHOOL



CHALKBOARD: TAKE CARE, NEGISHI HOTARU-SAN!!!









TITLE: RESPONSIBILITY



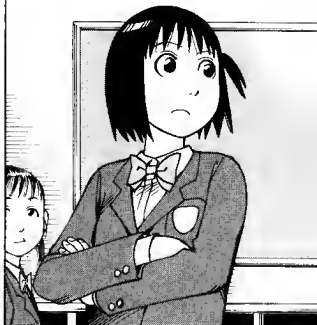
DANCE JOSEPHINE 1

FIRST,
YOU DO
THIS.

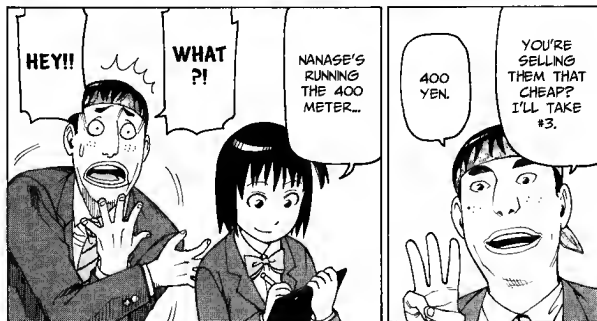


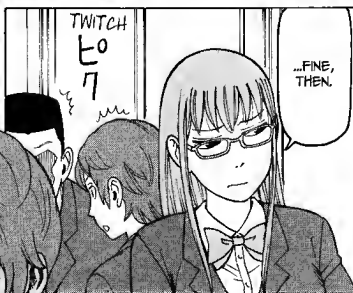
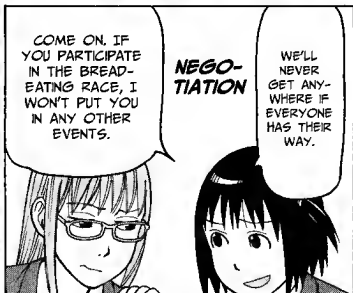
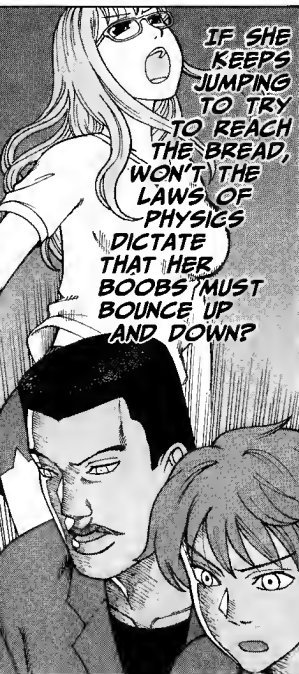
CHAPTER 77 NEST













BOOK: OYA HIGH SCHOOL FESTIVAL GUIDE

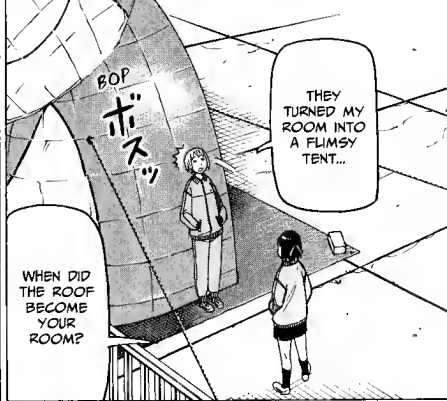






...YOU'RE
A MESS.

I RAN
IN THE
OBSTACLE
COURSE
THIS
MORNING.



BOP
ボスツ

THEY
TURNED MY
ROOM INTO
A FLIMSY
TENT...

WHEN DID
THE ROOF
BECOME
YOUR
ROOM?



SO IT'S
LIKE
YOUR
NEST.

WELL, IT
BLOCKS
THE WIND
AND
KEEPS
ME
WARM.



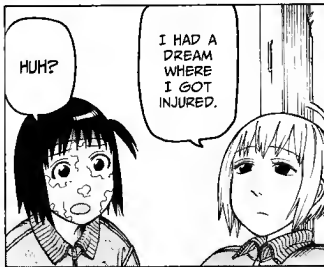
AREN'T
YOU
PARTICIPAT-
ING IN ANY
EVENTS?

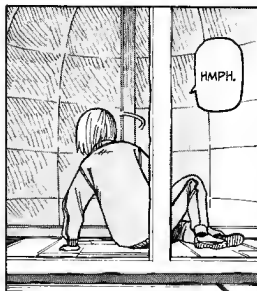
I'LL SLEEP
HERE UNTIL
SPORTS DAY
IS OVER.

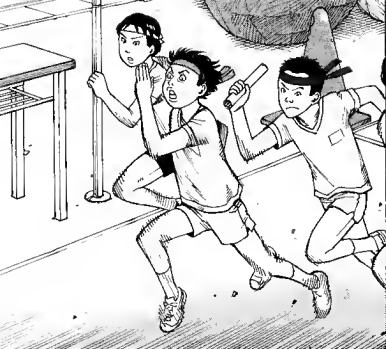


THE OTHER
SIDE OF
THIS TENT
IS ALSO A
MESS.

THE
SUPPORTS
HAVE BEEN
REUSED FOR
YEARS—







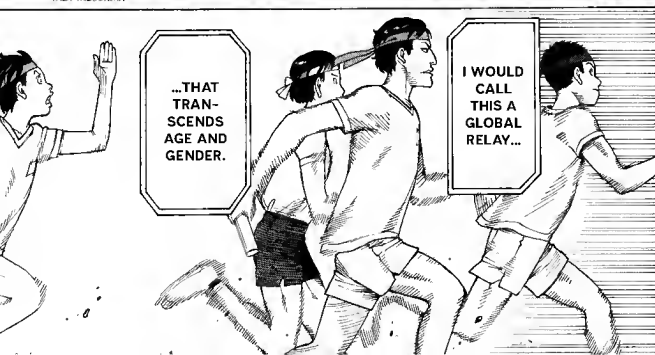
TAG: MIZUSHIMA



THIRTY-SIX
STUDENTS FROM
ALL GRADES
WILL BE PASSING
THE BATON ON
THIS 200 METER
TRACK —

THE
MIXED
100
METER
RELAY
HAS
BEGUN.

TAG: GAKAI



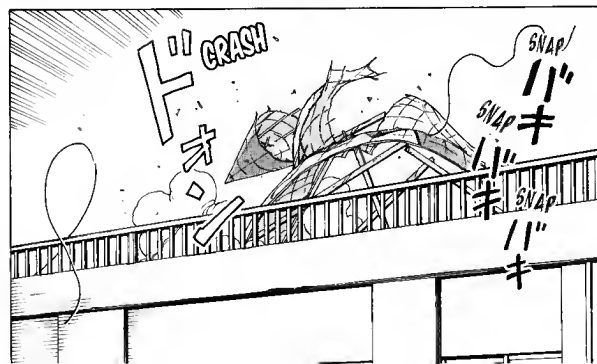
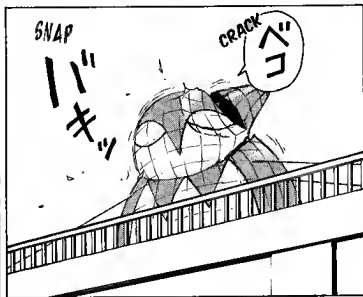
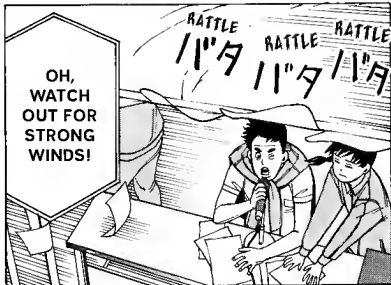
...THAT
TRAN-
SCENDS
AGE AND
GENDER.

I WOULD
CALL
THIS A
GLOBAL
RELAY...



SCHOOL FESTIVAL



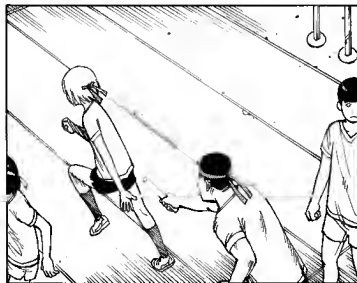






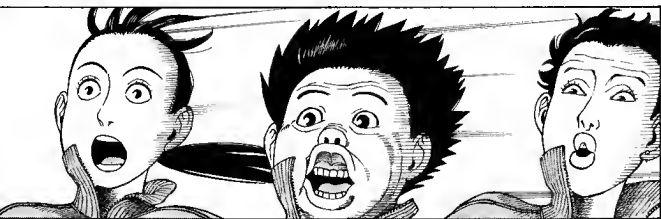
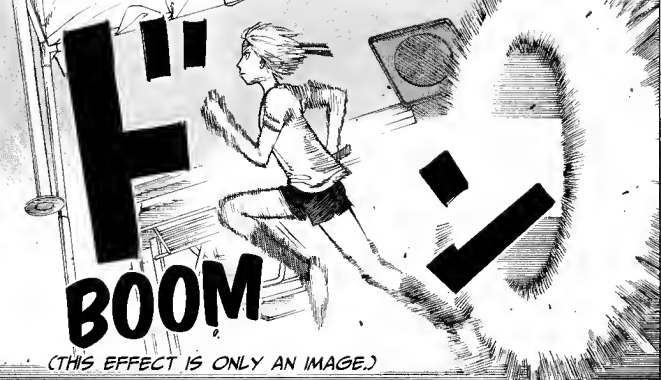
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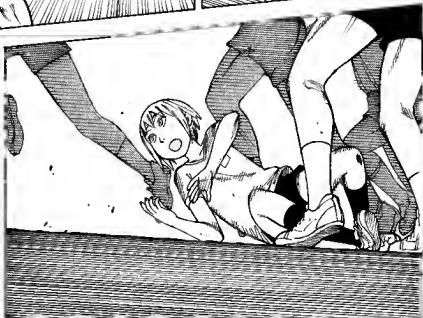


TAG'S: KAMASE, OMURA



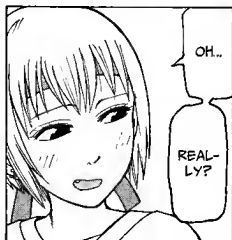






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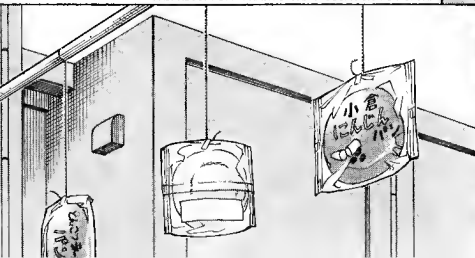
POSTERS: HOME EC CLUB: EXPERIMENTAL COOKING / ART CLUB DISPLAY IN THE ART ROOM



TAG: ARASHYAMA



PACKAGES: FORK RAMEN BREAD / OGURA CARROT BREAD



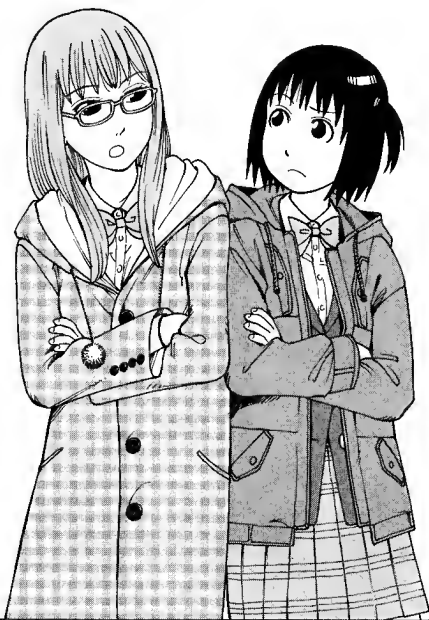


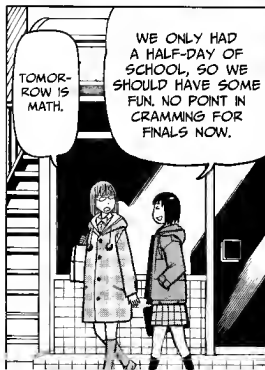
PACKAGE: EGGPLANT JAM BREAD



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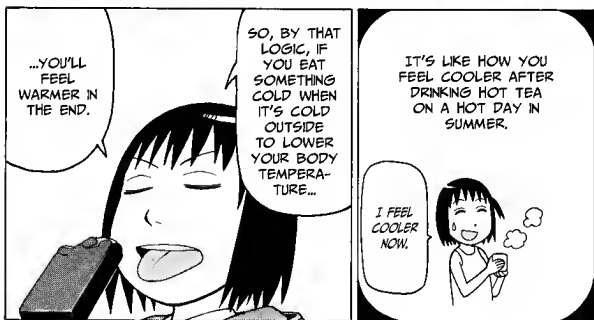
CHAPTER 78 DETECTIVE GIRLS 2







CLIP: OPEN







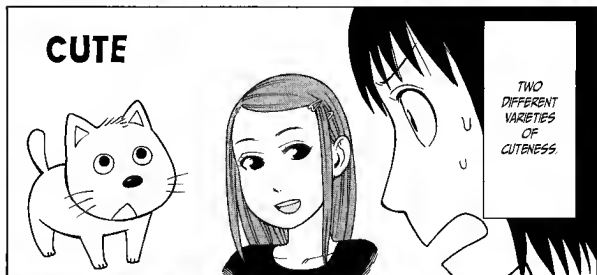
THERE ARE...

...TWO KINDS OF "CUTE"!!



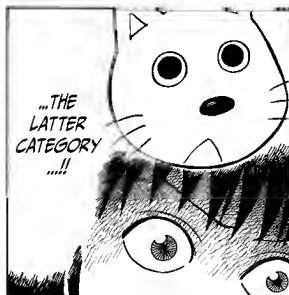
BUT NOW I REALIZE...

EVER SINCE I WAS LITTLE, THE NEIGHBORS HAVE SAID I WAS CUTE...



CUTE

TWO DIFFERENT VARIETIES OF CUTENESS.



...THE LATTER CATEGORY!!



I PROBABLY FALL UNDER...

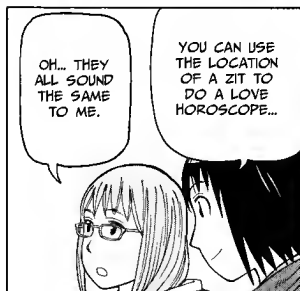


OH, A
ZIT.



ON THE
OTHER
HAND,
YOU'RE...

まじ
STARE
まじ
STARE



OH... THEY
ALL SOUND
THE SAME
TO ME.

YOU CAN USE
THE LOCATION
OF A ZIT TO
DO A LOVE
HOROSCOPE...



WHAT'S
THAT?

IT'S
IN-LOVE,
LOVED,
LOVING,
LOVES,
I THINK.



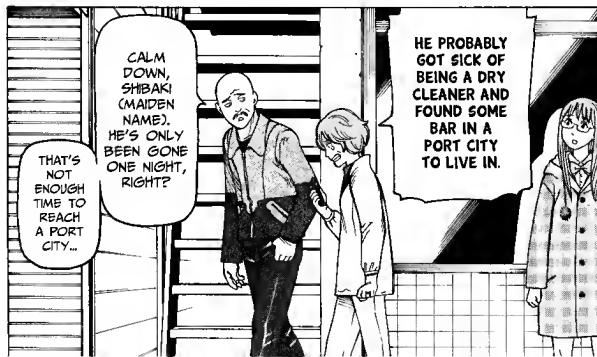
IT'S RATHER
PRESUMPTUOUS
TO ASSUME
THERE'S MORE
THAN ONE.

HUH?! THERE
IS?! LIKE WHO?
CAN YOU GIVE
ME AN EXAMPLE
OF ONE OF
THEM?!



WELL, THERE'S
SOMEONE OUT
THERE WHO'S IN
LOVE WITH YOU,
SO YOU SHOULD
HAVE MORE
CONFIDENCE.







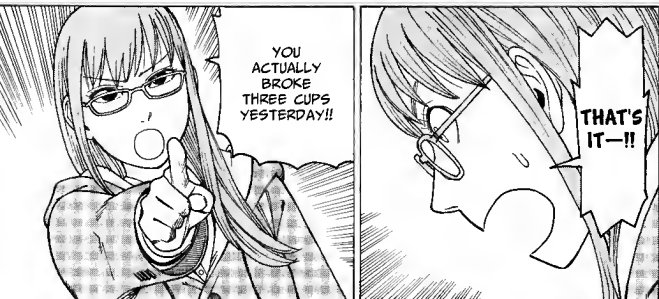


BOTTLE: YUZU VILLAGE VINEGAR SOY SAUCE









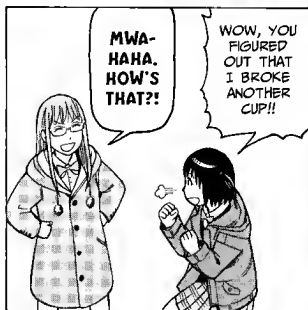




YOU
ARE THE
CULPRIT,
HOTORI!



ALL OF THE
PIECES TIE
TOGETHER!



MWA-
HAHA.
HOW'S
THAT?!

WOW, YOU
FIGURED
OUT THAT
I BROKE
ANOTHER
CUP!!



SEE?
I CAN DO
IT, TOO.

WOW...

パチパチ
CLAP CLAP
パチパチ
CLAP CLAP



LIKE
SHIZUKA-
NEECHAN
FROM
KAMEDOU.



...THERE ARE
PEOPLE IN
THIS TOWN
WHO ARE
STRONGER.

BUT WHILE
GRAN IS A
STRONG
DRINKER...



THEN THERE'S
THE BARBER,
SHIMOZAWA-
SAN.

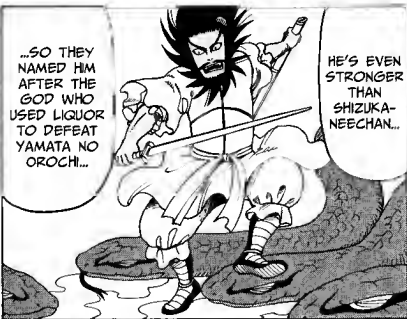


SHE'S SAID TO
BE EIGHT TIMES
STRONGER
THAN GRAN
THE VIPER, SO
SOME PEOPLE
CALL HER THE
YAMATA NO
OROCHI.

MAYBE IT'S
BECAUSE SHE
ACTS DRUNK
WHEN SHE'S
SOBER...



...AND
CALL HIM
SUSANOO!!



...SO THEY
NAMED HIM
AFTER THE
GOD WHO
USED LIQUOR
TO DEFEAT
YAMATA NO
OROCHI...

HE'S EVEN
STRONGER
THAN
SHIZUKA-
NEECHAN...

IN JAPANESE LEGEND, YAMATA NO OROCHI WAS AN EIGHT-HEADED SERPENT DEFEATED BY THE GOD SUSANOO.

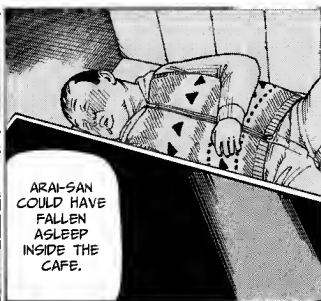
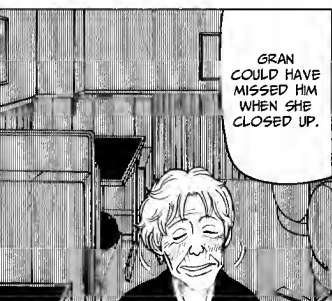
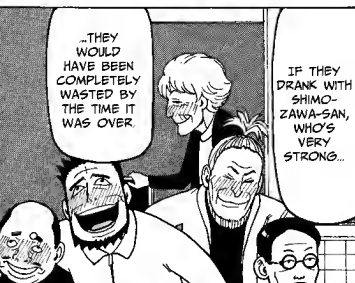


SO IT'S VERY
POSSIBLE
THAT HE WAS
DRINKING
AT SEASIDE
LAST NIGHT.

SHIMO-
ZAWA-SAN
TAKES
MONDAY
OFF,
LIKE ALL
BARBERS
AROUND THE
COUNTRY.

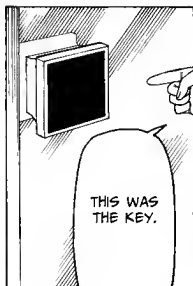


DID YOU
KNOW THAT
SEASIDE
SERVES
ALCOHOL
AT NIGHT?









THIS WAS
THE KEY.

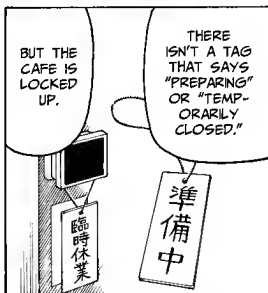


I JUST
HAPPEN TO
KNOW MORE
ABOUT THIS
TOWN THAN
YOU DO.

I DID THE
SAME THING
YOU DID.
I PIECED
EVERYTHING
TOGETHER.



EVEN WHEN
GRAN IS SICK,
SHE STOPS
BY TO PUT A
TAG ON THE
DOORKNOB.



BUT THE
CAFE IS
LOCKED
UP.

THERE
ISN'T A TAG
THAT SAYS
"PREPARING"
OR "TEMP-
ORARILY
CLOSED."

SIGNS: PREPARING / TEMPORARILY CLOSED

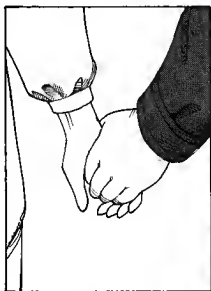


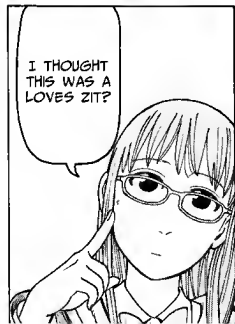
...WOULD
BE INSIDE
SEASIDE.

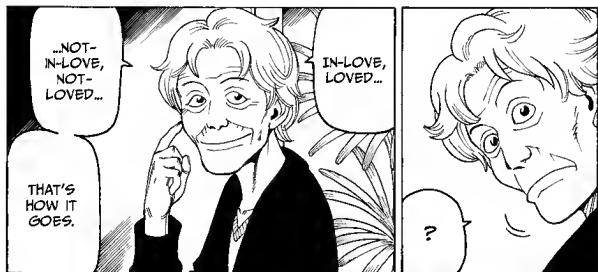


AND
THE ONLY
PLACE
ARAI-SAN
COULD BE
HIDING...

WHICH
MEANS GRAN
HASN'T COME
BACK TO THE
CAFE SINCE
LAST NIGHT.



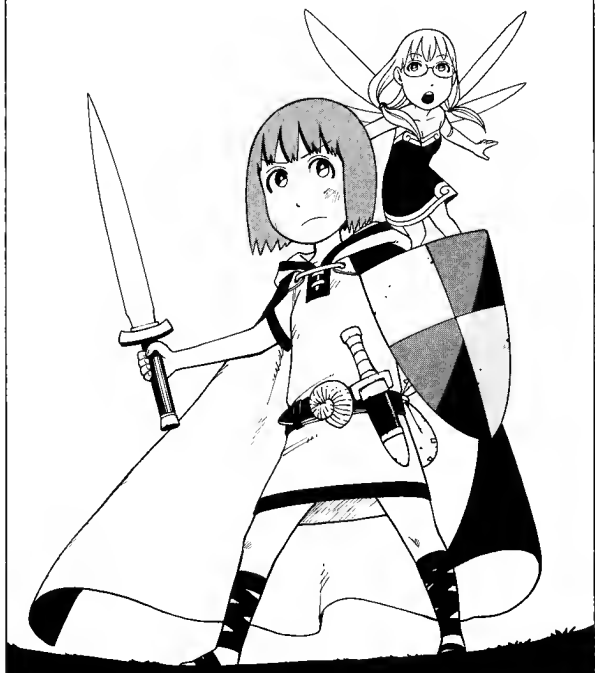




DANCE JOSEPHINE 2



CHAPTER 79 HOTORI'S WAR



...was
wiped
out in
a single
night...

The largest
guild in
Cocoon,
League of
the Hawk...



—THE CITY OF KUNG POW—

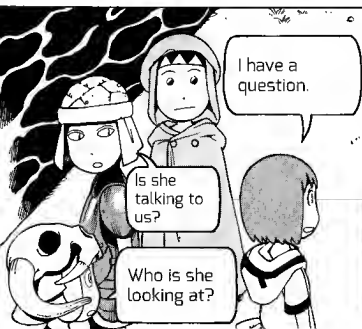
...because
of one
person...

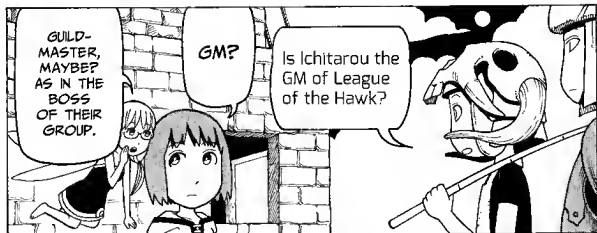


I NEVER
THOUGHT I'D
BE LOOKING
FOR
SOMEONE
LIKE THIS...

NOW, NOW...
IT'S A
CHANCE
FOR YOU
TO PLAY
DETECTIVE...

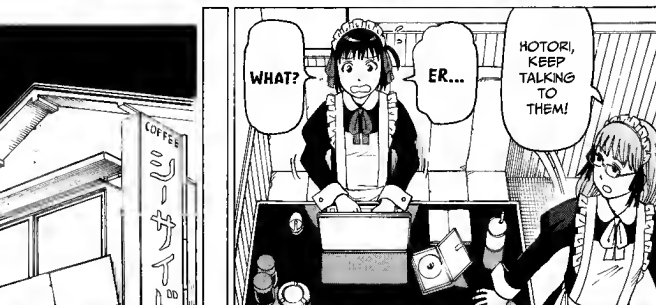


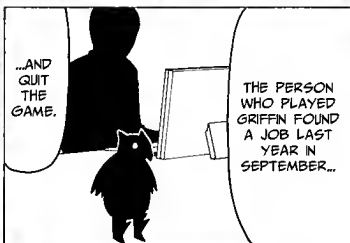




-LOL: LAUGHING OUT LOUD









BETA TEST VERSION



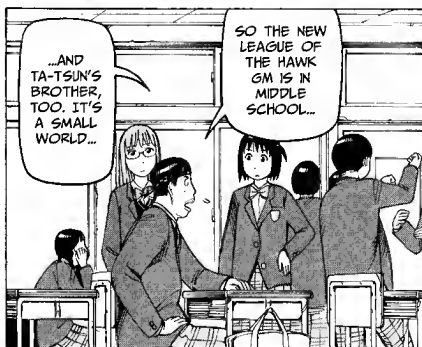


HE'S DEFINITELY A SHUT-IN.

NO.

HE'S NOT THERE YET, BUT HE'S CLOSE, RIGHT?

A SHUT-IN?

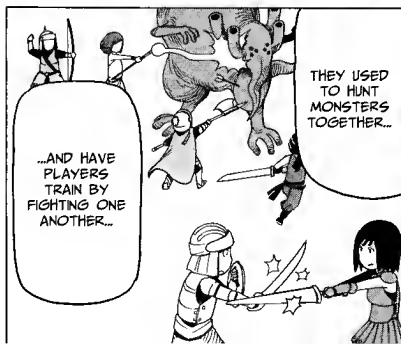


...AND TA-TSUN'S BROTHER, TOO. IT'S A SMALL WORLD...

SO THE NEW LEAGUE OF THE HAWK GM IS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL...

IT GOT WORSE OVER WINTER BREAK.

HE SPENDS THE WHOLE DAY INSIDE HIS ROOM AND SKIPS SCHOOL.

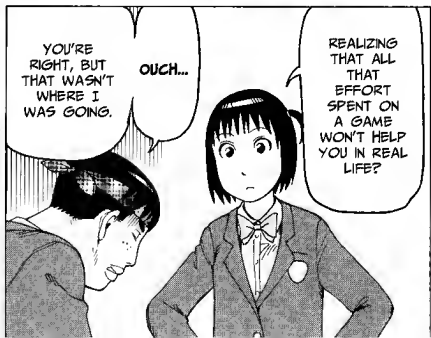
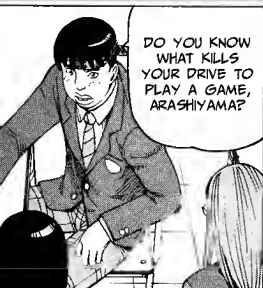
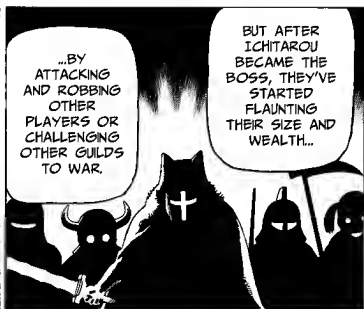


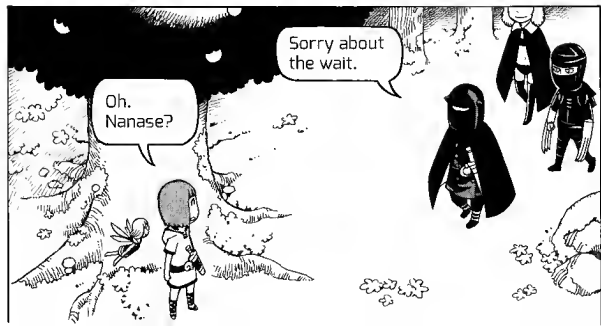
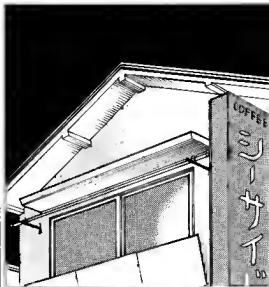
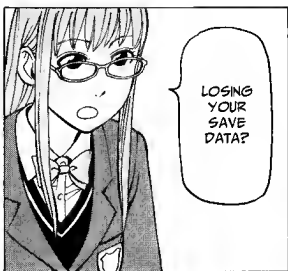
THEY USED TO HUNT MONSTERS TOGETHER...

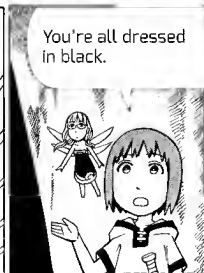
...AND HAVE PLAYERS TRAIN BY FIGHTING ONE ANOTHER...

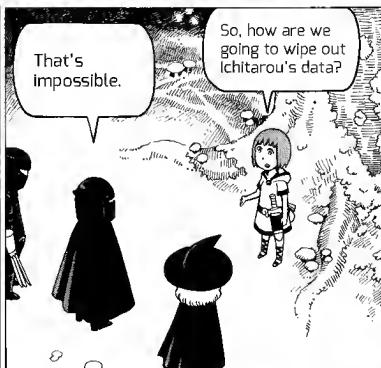
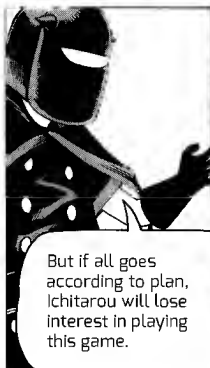
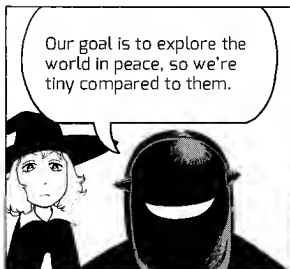


WELL, THEIR REPUTATION'S SUFFERED SINCE THE NEW LEADER TOOK OVER...











Once that's done,
Ichitarou will have
nowhere to go.



I'll put as much of
the guild's wealth as I
can on my character
before quitting.



THAT WOULD
CERTAINLY
CHANGE THE
SITUATION...

...BUT IT
SEEMS
A LITTLE
RECK-
LESS.



The person who
is the key to our
success will be
arriving shortly.

Oh, there
he is.



And how will you get
League of the Hawk to
join your guild?



League of the Hawk

鷹の会

This is the home page of the Image Online guild League of the Hawk.

Introduction	Members	Forum	News
Events	Reports	E-mail	Link

I went to their website yesterday.

How did you get in touch with him?



南柯之夢

名古屋在住の会社員
高山ぐり蔵のブログ

2007.1.7

木曜日



ATTEND THE BLOG GUILD
MEMBERSHIP

I followed the
links to get
ahold of him.

THIS
IS IT.

EX-GUILD-
MASTER
GRIFFIN'S
BLOG...

WEBSITE: LIFE IS A DREAM / THE BLOG OF TAKAYAMA GURIZOU, A NAGOYA WHITE-COLLAR WORKER.

So, what's the
plan?

I quit the game when
I got a job, but after
hearing about Ichitarou...

...I felt somewhat
responsible.

...and the losing guild
must join the winning
guild.

Shadow Gallery will
challenge League of the
Hawk to a war...



League of the Hawk isn't wholly united. There are some who enjoy fighting like Ichitarou...

...but many members wanted to disband after I quit the game.



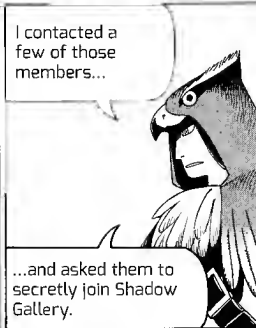
In order to prepare for the war, I contacted Griffin.



We're up against a middle school kid with an Internet addiction. He won't expect us to utilize real world connections.



I've also asked people I know to help out.



I contacted a few of those members...

...and asked them to secretly join Shadow Gallery.

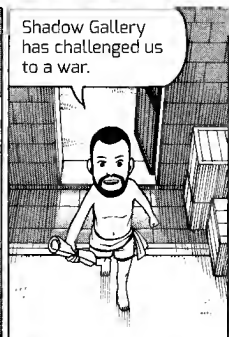


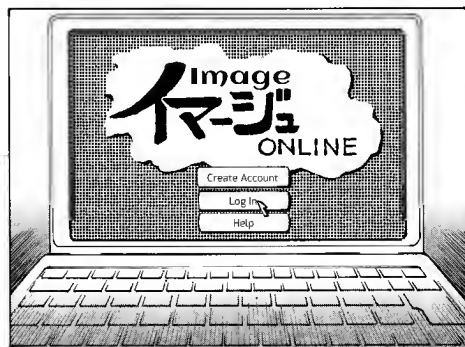
...AND BELIEVES THAT SG IS WEAK.

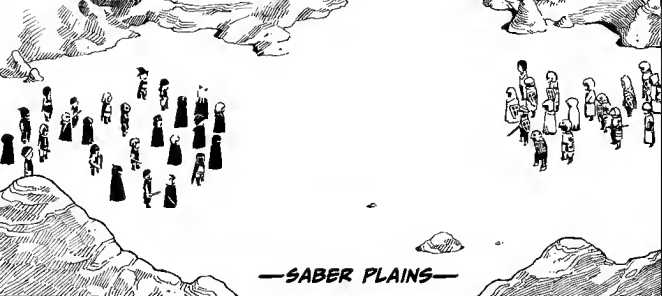
HE IS CONFIDENT IN HIS OWN GUILD'S STRENGTH...



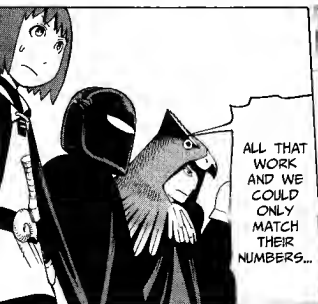
WILL HE ACCEPT A WAR WHERE THE LOSING GUILD HAS TO JOIN THE WINNING GUILD...?





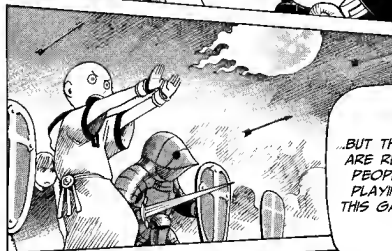


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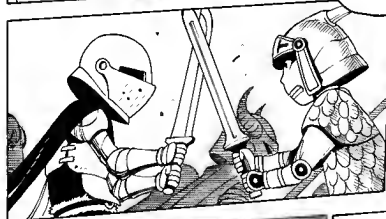




I'M NOT
SURE HOW
WE ENDED
UP FIGHTING
A WAR...



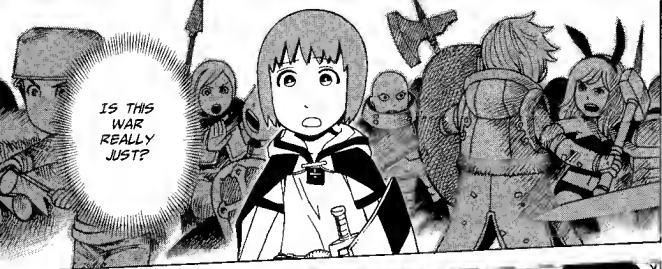
...BUT THESE
ARE REAL
PEOPLE
PLAYING
THIS GAME.



DO I
HAVE THE
RIGHT TO
DESTROY
IT ALL?



IT'S JUST
A GAME,
BUT THEY'VE
WORKED HARD
TO GET WHERE
THEY ARE.



Don't use my real name!!

ESPE-
CIALLY
NOT MY
FULL
NAME!!

Tatsuno Kotarou, I
challenge you to a duel.

ド
ZAP カ
"

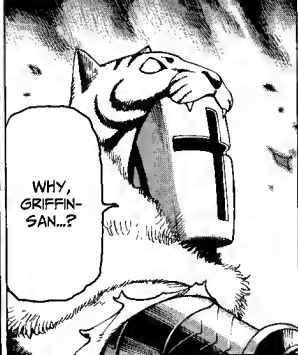
SHOOT.

STAB

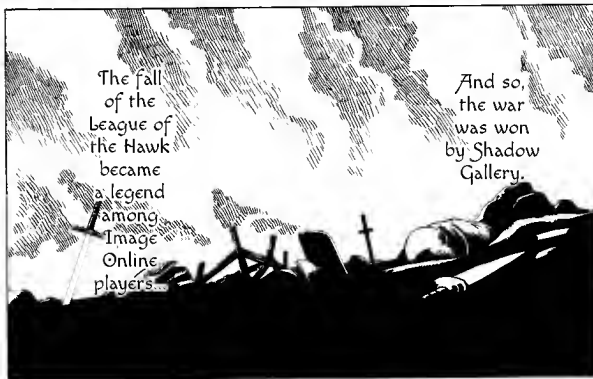
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SORRY,
ICHI-
TAROU...



WHY,
GRIFFIN-
SAN...?



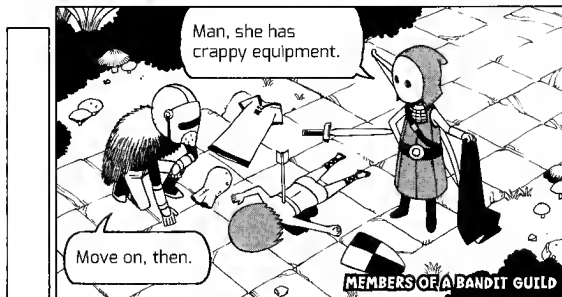
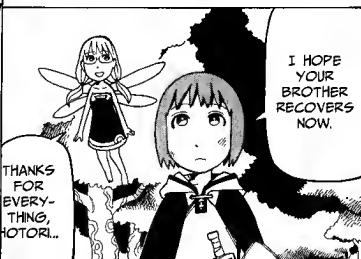
The fall
of the
League of
the Hawk
became
a legend
among
Image
Online
players...

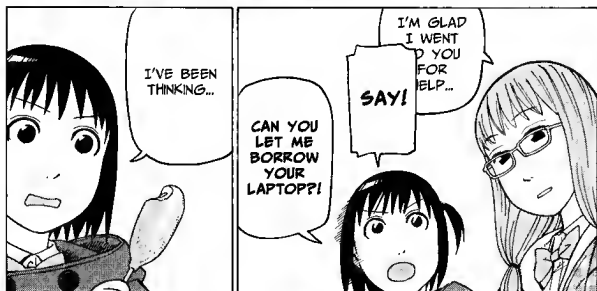
And so,
the war
was won
by Shadow
Gallery.





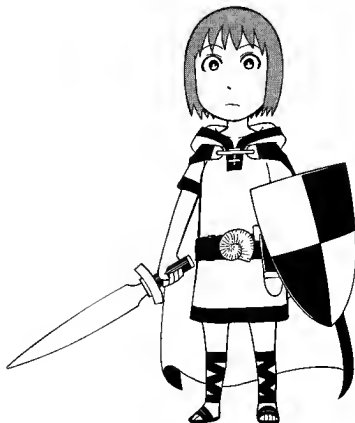
...but few know that it was for the sake of a single middle school boy.





HOTORI'S CHARACTER

NAME: PENGUIN

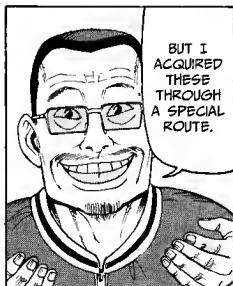


EQUIPMENT

- RHADAMAN SWORD
- RHADAMAN SHIELD
- MANTLE WITH CLIP
- HOODED SHORT-SLEEVED ONE-PIECE
- CHINO DAGGER
- SEASHELL BELT
(REDUCES WATER DAMAGE BY 15%)
- CALF-HIGH SANDALS
- ITEM BAG

CHAPTER 80 MYSTERIOUS DISK





BUT I
ACQUIRED
THESE
THROUGH
A SPECIAL
ROUTE.

THESE
SNEAKERS
ARE AN
AMERICAN
WEST COAST
EXCLUSIVE.
ONLY 4,000
PAIRS WILL BE
SOLD, AT A
RETAIL PRICE
OF 60,000
YEN EACH.



TEN
THOUSAND
YEN FOR
EXCLUSIVE
SHOES THAT
COST SIXTY
THOUSAND?!

TEN
THOU-
SAND
YEN?!

¥10,000 ABOUT \$100

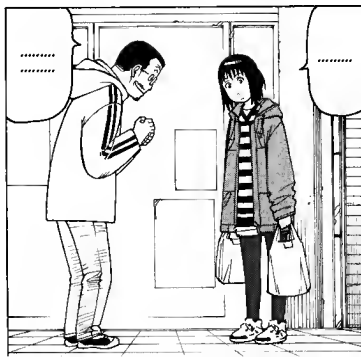
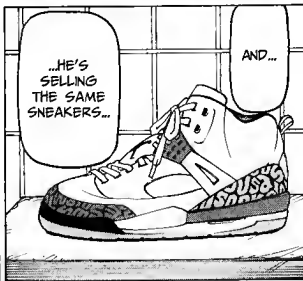


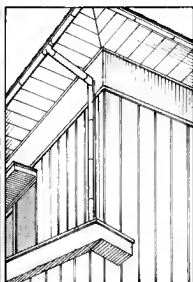
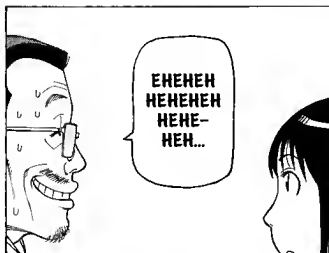
EXCEL-
LENT! GO
FOR IT!!

I STILL
HAVE SOME
MONEY
LEFT OVER
FROM LAST
MONTH'S
PAYCHECK.

I CAN
BUY
THESE
AS A
BIRTHDAY
PRESENT
FOR
MYSELF!

I'VE BEEN
WEARING
THESE
SNEAKERS
SINCE MIDDLE
SCHOOL
AND THEY'RE
GETTING
OLD...

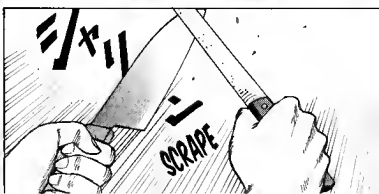
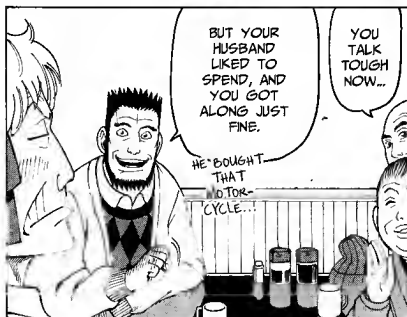




BAG: UNASAKA UNADON (UNADON: BROILED EEL SERVED OVER RICE)



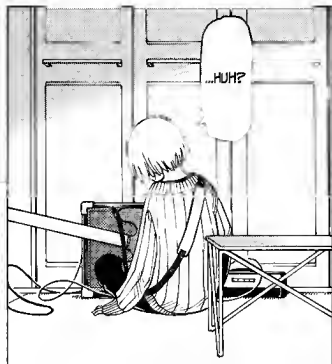
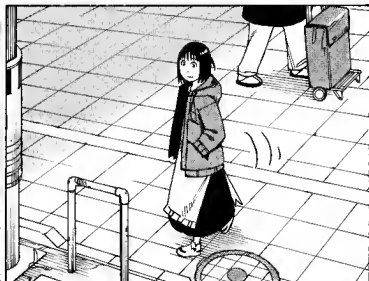














PER-
FECT!
JUST
WHAT
WE
NEED!!



HMM?

OH... MY
AMP IS
ACTING
UP...

WHAT'S
WRONG?



WAIT!

THAT'S
NOT...

...WHAT
I
MEANT...



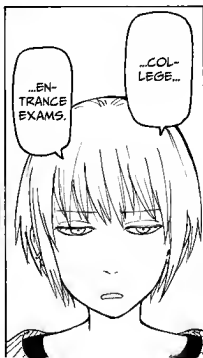
OH...

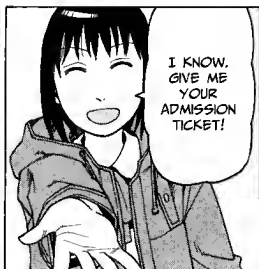
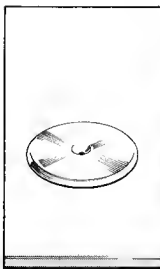
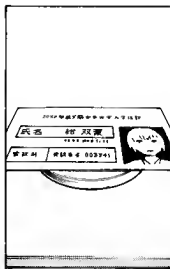


GRAN'S
BACK
STOPPED
HURTING
IMME-
DIATELY.

MY DAD
BOUGHT
A DISK
THAT'S
SUPPOSED
TO CURE
EVERY-
THING.

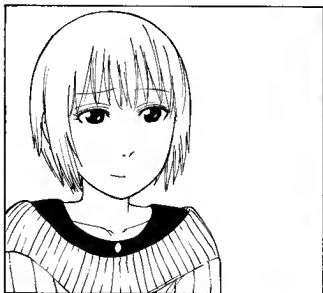
IS THIS
SOME
KIND OF
RITUAL?





TICKET: NAME: KON FUTABA





THE ONLY
SUCCESSFUL
EXAMPLE
I HAVE
IS GRAN'S
BACK PAIN...

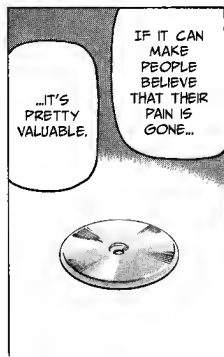
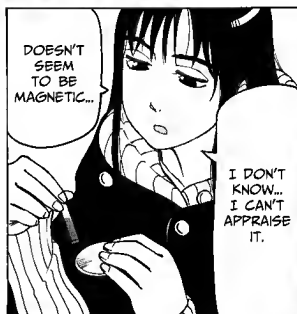


I HOPE
SENPAI IS
ACCEPTED
...





BUILDING: KAMEDOU ANTIQUES
(WE BUY AND SELL)





SIGN: ANTIQUE DRAWERS 5,000 YEN

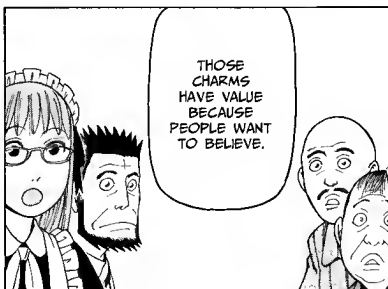
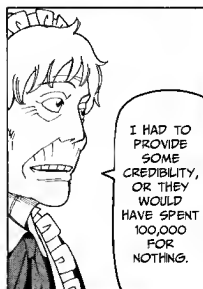


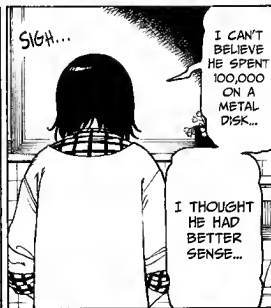
SIGN: DEMONIC DOLL 100,000 YEN





YOU
WERE
LYING
?!!





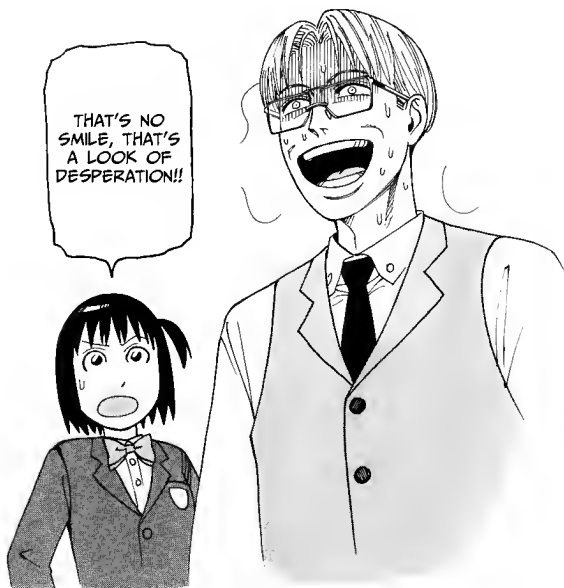




TITLE: FRIENDSHIP



TITLE: SMILE

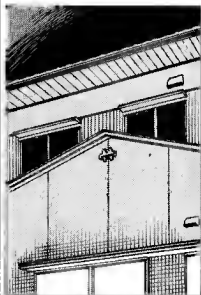


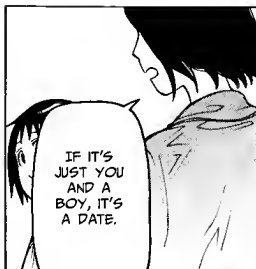
CHAPTER 81



CHAPTER 81
HOTORI'S FIRST KISS







IF IT'S
JUST YOU
AND A
BOY, IT'S
A DATE.



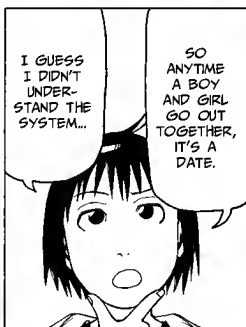
IT'S
NOT A
DATE.

WAIT, ARE
YOU GOING
ON A DATE
DRESSED
LIKE THAT?



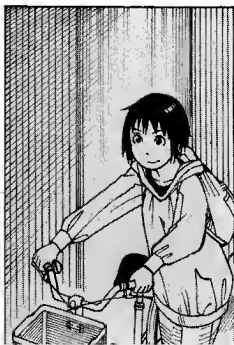
HONESTLY,
YOU'RE
SUCH A
PAIN!!

NOW
THAT I'VE
ESTABLISHED
THAT THIS IS
A DATE...



I GUESS
I DIDN'T
UNDER-
STAND THE
SYSTEM...

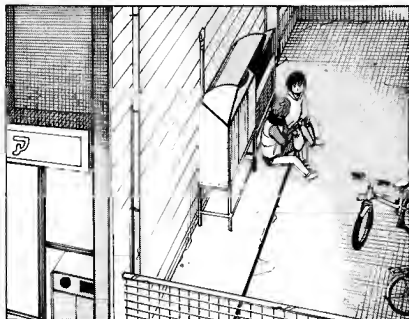
SO
ANYTIME
A BOY
AND GIRL
GO OUT
TOGETHER,
IT'S A
DATE.



YES, YES.
DON'T GET
SNOOTY
WITH ME,
NOW! BE
CAREFUL
NOW.

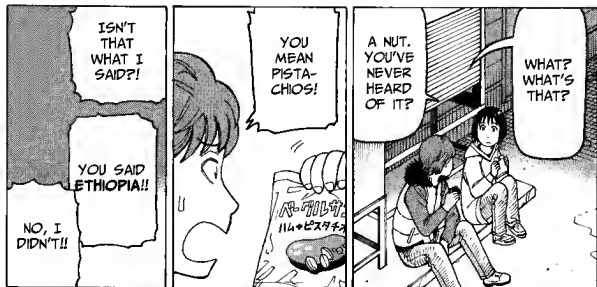
WELL,
GUESS
I'M OFF
ON A
DATE.





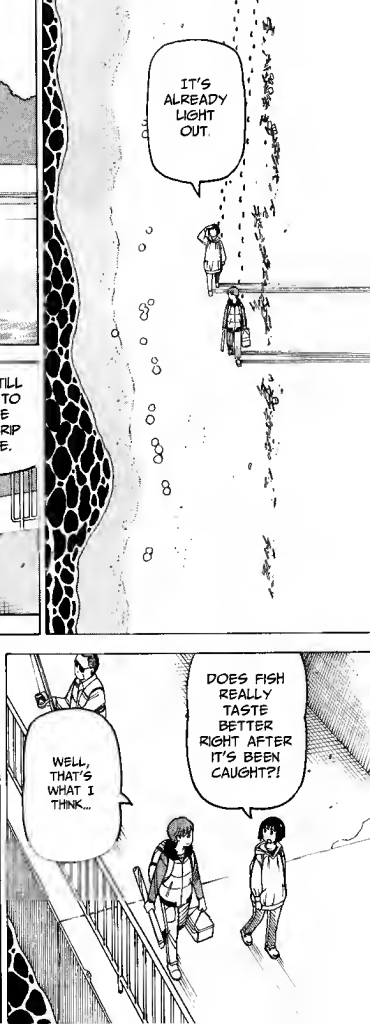
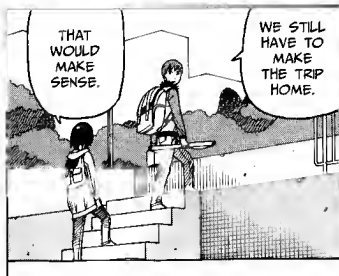
BUILDING: POTPOURRI 24-HOUR STORE / GOLDEN MEAT FAIR





PACKAGE: BAGEL SANDWICH HAM & PISTACHIO





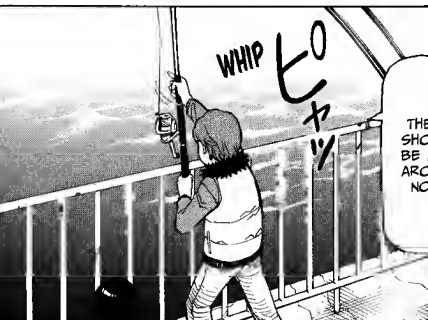


IT'S
OKAY.
I'M ONLY
HERE TO
EAT.

WHAT
DO YOU
WANT TO
CATCH?



I ONLY
HAVE ONE
FISHING
POLE, SO
WE'LL
HAVE TO
TAKE
TURNS.



THERE
SHOULD
BE KISU
AROUND
NOW.



AS
LONG AS
NOTHING
BAD
HAPPENS
IN THE
PROCESS
...!!

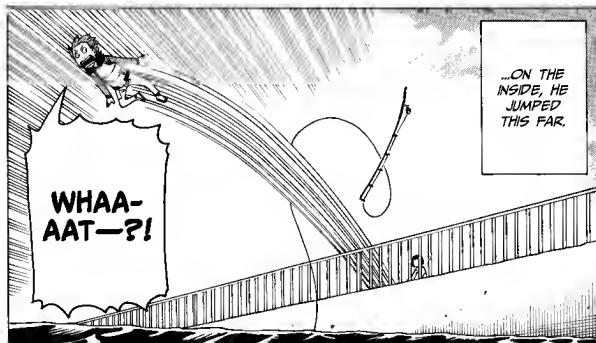
I'M
STILL
HAPPY,
THOUGH!!



OR IS THIS
ARASHIYAMA
AN ALIEN
WHO'S
TRYING TO
BRAINWASH
ME?

PANT... I'M
ALONE WITH
ARASHIYAMA
ON THE
BEACH. IS
THIS REAL?







HOW
DO I
TURN HIM
DOWN...?



STRUGGLE
カッポカッポ

SEE!
SOME-
THING BAD
HAPPENED
!!

I
KNEW
IT.



I'M NOT
GOING
TO GO
OUT WITH
SOMEONE
I'M NOT
INTERESTED
IN.

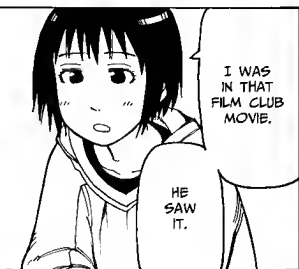
SO
YOU'RE
GOING
TO TURN
HIM
DOWN?



OH,
IT'S
NOT
VERY
DEEP.

SPLASH

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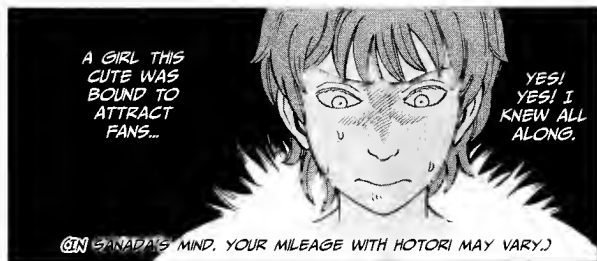
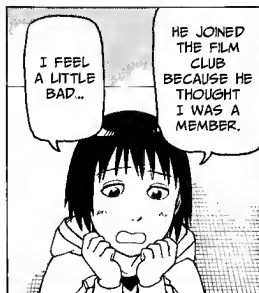


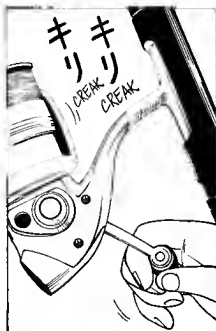
I WAS
IN THAT
FILM CLUB
MOVIE.

HE
SAW
IT.



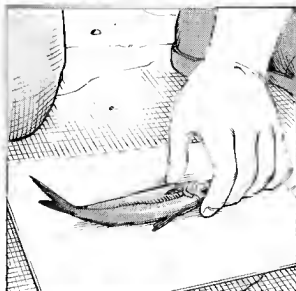
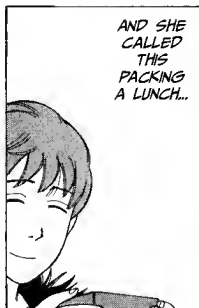
HOW
DID A
FIRST-
YEAR
KNOW
YOU?





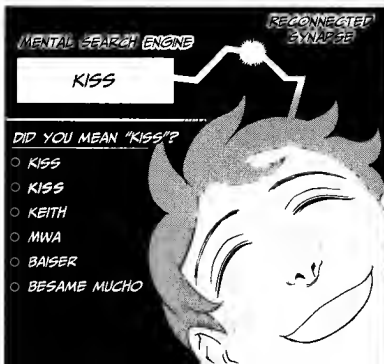
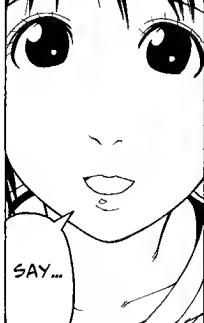






PACKAGE: TEMPLE KNIGHT TEMPURA BATTER







WOW

FISH
TASTING
LIKE
STRAW-
BERRIES
?!
?

I'VE HEARD
THAT CATFISH
SMELL LIKE
WATER-
MELON...



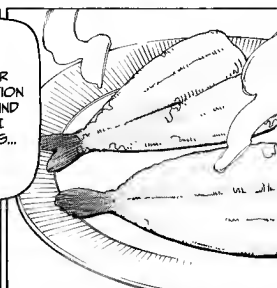
I'VE HEARD
THAT IT
TASTES
LIKE BIT-
TERSWEET
STRAWBER-
RIES...

AH...



LET'S
EAT.

I'VE NEVER
PAID ATTENTION
TO WHAT KIND
OF FISH I
WAS EATING...



AND
FORGET
I EVER
MEN-
TIONED
STRAW-
BERRIES.

I'M
GLAD I
DIDN'T
EMBAR-
RASS
MYSELF.

DOESN'T
TASTE
LIKE
STRAW-
BERRIES,
THOUGH.

THIS IS
GOOD...

うーん
TWINGE

OOH...



はは< GOBBLE
は< GOBBLE
GOBBLE





FIVE
YEARS
LATER

BUILDING- SANADA'S FRESH FISH





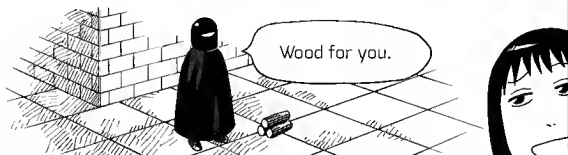


AFTERWORD

WE'VE MADE IT TO VOLUME 10. I NEVER THOUGHT THAT I WOULD MAKE IT TO DOUBLE DIGITS.

VOLUME 10 HAS A STORY ABOUT ONLINE GAMES, AND WHEN I FIRST STARTED THIS SERIES, I WAS PLAYING ULTIMA ONLINE (UO).

I WAS AN AXE WARRIOR THAT FARMED WOOD IN THE FOREST TO SELL TO OTHER PLAYERS. (WOOD WAS USED FOR FURNITURE.) MY CATCHPHRASE WAS "WOOD FOR YOU." THE OTHER VENDORS STARTED USING SIMILAR CATCHPHRASES FOR A WHILE. ONCE I LEARNED STEALTH, I STOLE TREASURE FROM THE STRONGEST AND BIGGEST THIEVES GUILD ON THEIR WAY BACK FROM A TREASURE HUNT. THEY FOUND ME AND KILLED ME. LATER ON, I WAS BUSY WITH WORK AND QUIT UO. IT WAS FUN... HOTORI DOESN'T UNDERSTAND GAMES... THEY'RE FUN AND MAKE INTERESTING MATERIAL FOR MANGA.



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